GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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TERRORIST ACTIVITIES IN J K
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that a group of militants killed some Hindu villagers in Doda and Udhampur district of Jammu on May 01, 2006;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the State Government and Union Government have failed to protect the lives and properties of persons staying in J&K;

(d) if so, whether the Union Government has sought a detailed report of incident from the State Government in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and compensation to be paid to the affected families?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. As per the report of the State Government of Jammu and Kashmir, in two separate incidents, terrorists killed 32 persons and injured 10 others in the Jammu region.

In the first incident on April 30, 2006 at Lalon Gala Dhok, PS Basantgarh, Udhampur, 7 suspected Lashkar-e-Toiba (LeT) terrorists kidnapped and killed 13 persons who had gone to graze their cattle.

In the second incident, in the intervening night of April 30/May 1, 2006, 12-13 suspected LeT terrorists at village Kulhand, Doda killed 19 persons besides injuring 10 others.

(c) to (e): The Government in tandem with the State Government, have adopted a multi-pronged approach, to contain cross-border terrorism/infiltration in Jammu and Kashmir, which includes, inter-alia, strengthening of border management and multi-tiered and multi-modal deployment along International Border/Line of Control and near the ever changing infiltration routes, construction of border fencing, improved technology, weapons and equipment for security forces, improved intelligence and operational coordination and synergising intelligence flow to check infiltration and pro-active action against the terrorists within the State. The counter terrorism/infiltration efforts are reviewed periodically at various levels in the State Government (including the two Unified Headquarters headed by the Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir) and in the Central Government.

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According to the report received from the State Government of Jammu and Kashmir, ex-gratia/ relief of Rs. One lakh stands sanctioned and paid in favour of the next of kins of the persons killed in Doda and Udhampur terrorist attacks. Besides, one month`s free rations have also been sanctioned and distributed among the families who have lost one or more members and the families in which one or more members have been injured.